



CANCER BURDEN

In 2003, the American Cancer Society estimates¹

- 1,334,100 new cancer cases will be diagnosed in the United States, including 59,900 in Illinois.
- 556,500 cancer deaths will occur in the United States, including 25,000 in Illinois.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rate for cancer deaths per 100,000 persons²

Illinois: 211.1 **National:** 202.3

Illinois ranks 18th highest overall in cancer mortality rates among the 50 states and Washington, D.C.

LUNG CANCER

In 2003, the American Cancer Society estimates¹

- 7,400 new cases of lung cancer will be diagnosed among men and women in Illinois.
- 6,800 men and women will die of lung cancer in Illinois.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rates for lung cancer deaths per 100,000 persons, by race, 1996–2000³

	Illinois	National
Overall	57.6	56.8
White	55.8	56.7
Black	77.3	66.4
Hispanic	20.7	25.4
Asian/Pacific Islander	21.7	28.5
American Indian/Alaska Native	-	37.2

BREAST CANCER

In 2003, the American Cancer Society estimates¹

- 10,200 new cases of breast cancer will be diagnosed among women in Illinois.
- 1,900 women will die of breast cancer in Illinois.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rates for breast cancer deaths per 100,000 persons, by race, 1996–2000³

	Illinois	National
Overall	30.3	27.7
White	29.2	27.2
Black	39.9	35.9
Hispanic	14.0	17.8
Asian/Pacific Islander	11.1	12.5
American Indian/Alaska Native	-	14.9

COLORECTAL CANCER

In 2003, the American Cancer Society estimates¹

- 6,800 new cases of colorectal cancer will be diagnosed among men and women in Illinois.
- 2,600 men and women will die of colorectal cancer in Illinois.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rates for colorectal cancer deaths per 100,000 persons, by race, 1996–2000³

	Illinois	National
Overall	23.2	21.2
White	22.3	20.7
Black	32.5	28.5
Hispanic	10.2	14.2
Asian/Pacific Islander	11.8	13.1
American Indian/Alaska Native	-	14.7

PROSTATE CANCER

In 2003, the American Cancer Society estimates¹

- 10,100 new cases of prostate cancer will be diagnosed among men in Illinois.
- 1,300 men will die of prostate cancer in Illinois.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rates for prostate cancer deaths per 100,000 persons, by race, 1996–2000³

	Illinois	National
Overall	34.7	32.9
White	31.2	30.2
Black	72.4	73.0
Hispanic	17.3	24.3
Asian/Pacific Islander	13.1	13.9
American Indian/Alaska Native	-	21.9

¹ Source: American Cancer Society Facts and Figures, 2003. Estimates exclude more than a million cases of basal and squamous cell skin cancers and in situ cancers, except urinary bladder, that will be diagnosed in 2003. Lung cancer rates include bronchus cancer. Illinois death totals were rounded to nearest 100.

² Source: CDC National Center for Health Statistics, vital statistics data, underlying cause of death, 1996–2000. Death rates are per 100,000 and are age-adjusted to the 2000 U.S. standard population.

³ Hyphens represent suppression of rates when there were 75,000 or fewer persons in the denominator or 20 or fewer deaths in the numerator.